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Re: Application for Public Hearing to Approve Change of Operator
from Virgin Offshore U.S.A., Inc. to Energy Properties, Inc.
14100 RA SU A; LL&E A#001
Serial No. 219634
Bay Junop Field - Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana
Form MD-10-R-AO-Amended Permit to Drill

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Energy Properties, Inc., 3525 N. Causeway Boulevard, Suite 719, Metairie, Louisiana 70002, for the calling of a public hearing, after requisite legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following:

1. To approve the application of Energy Properties, Inc. for a change of operator of record from Virgin Offshore U.S.A., Inc. to Energy Properties, Inc. for the 14100 RA SU A; LL&E A#001 Well (Serial No. 219634) located in Section 15, Township 21 South, Range 14 East, Bay Junop Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.
2. To consider such other matters relating to this application as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

Energy Properties, Inc. is the current owner of the oil, gas and mineral lease in force and effect covering the lands and above referenced well and desires to be appointed operator of the well.

June 23, 2003

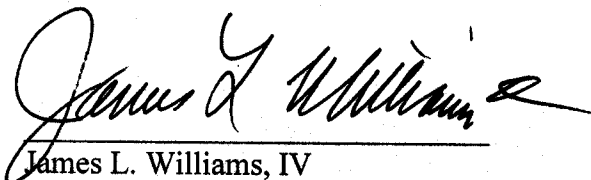
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Virgin Offshore, U.S.A., Inc. is currently the operator of record, having been the owner of a prior mineral lease covering the lands on which said well is situated. The Virgin lease terminated July 15, 2002. Virgin Offshore, U.S.A., Inc. has refused to consent to the change of operator, necessitating a hearing.

Copies of this application are being forwarded to the District Office of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and to all Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties. A diligent effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties as required by the Rules of Procedure. Copies of the list of Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties are enclosed with this application and the copy being sent to the District Manager. Any other person desiring a copy of such list should forward their request to the above address.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation to cover the application fee. We respectfully request that any hearing be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

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